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THE WEATHER.

The forecast for Sunday: Fair weather, with light to fresh northwesterly and northerly winds, shifting to easterly, and nearly stationary, followed by slowly rising temperature, and by cloudiness and possibly rain at night.

MUSICAL FETE.

A Splendid Musical Event Given at the Residence of Mr. and Mrs. Brower. The advance class of scholars of Mrs. W. N. Ehrhart, before a large and brilliant gathering, tendered a musical last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brower, on South Jardin street. It was the most fashionable event of the season. All the numbers on the program were rendered in excellent manner. The directress, Mrs. Ehrhart, has a great deal to show for the efficiency of her instruction, and many words of praise were expressed in her behalf.

Each rendition showed careful practice, the exquisite and difficult passages being played with much skill. Following is the program: Piano duet, Mrs. Ehrhart and Miss Virdie Kohler; piano duet, "La Campanella," Mrs. W. N. Ehrhart; violin solo, "Lilly Dale," Millie Zimmerman; piano solo, "Fairly Queen," Edith Heebner; piano solo, "Annie Laurie," Mattie Franco; piano solo, "La Ba Meaux," Mary Kinney; violin solo, a selection from the beautiful opera "Norma," Miss Eva Brewer, accompanied by Miss Ida Williams; piano solo, "Last Rose of Summer," Gertrude Neiswender; piano trio, Misses Heebner; piano solo, "La Napoli," Miss Anna Deugler; piano solo, "La Rose," Miss Zimmerman; piano duet, Italian overture, Misses Heebner; piano solo, "Bout en Train," Miss Anna Heebner; piano duet, overture, Rossini, Misses Kohler and Neiswender; piano solo, "Waltz, Rondo in E," Miss Kohler; piano solo, "Tollie de concert," Miss Ida Williams; piano solo, "Robin Des Bois," Miss Lizzie Heebner; violin solo, "Laudier," Misses Brewer and Williams; piano solo, Rondo Capriccio, "Mendelssohn," Mrs. Ehrhart. The guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brower, Prof. W. N. Ehrhart, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Reddell, Dr. and Mrs. M. S. Kistler, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Reddell, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Morgan, Mrs. H. L. Whitlock and daughters, Edith and Clara, Mrs. J. W. Strain, Edith and Mrs. J. S. Kistler and Mrs. P. W. Houck. During the evening the host and hostess invited their guests to partake of a repast of many delicacies, which was greatly enjoyed. When the hour of departure arrived a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Brower in the highest terms of praise and appreciation.

Strawberry and Vanilla Ice Cream Tuesday and to-morrow, at Scheider's bakery, 27 East Centre street. It

Birthday Party. Peter Schoppe, Sr., of Wm. Penn, father of the Schoppe brothers, who have become famous through their connection with the Grant Band of town and the celebration of his birthday, last night celebrated his 93rd birthday anniversary at his home. There was a large gathering of members of the family and their friends and Mr. Schoppe received several presents. Many pastimes of an enjoyable character were indulged in and refreshments were served. The Shenandoah representatives in attendance at the festivities were Misses Sallie Metz, Lizzie Lehe and Hattie Lessig, Mr. and Mrs. John Schoppe, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schoppe, Mr. and Mrs. William Schoppe, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schoppe, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schoppe and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schoppe.

Meatless Cafe. Oyster soup, free, to-night. Hot lunch on Monday morning.

Robbers at Girardville. Robbers made an attempt to rob the home of Mr. Bynic, at Girardville, early yesterday morning, but were frightened off by the raising of a window by Charles Wagner, a neighbor. The thieves fired at the latter, but missed him. The thieves were young men, aged from 18 to 20 years, and it is believed they are the same trio that robbed the Catholic church at Lost Creek.

At Kephinski's Vreote Cafe. Sour kroust, pork and mashed potatoes, free, to-night. Hot lunch on Monday morning.

Program. The following program will be rendered at a meeting of the "M" this evening: Singing; scripture reading, Miss Price; recitation, Harry Powell; solo, Jennie Hughes; recitation, Thomas Milligan; reading, Edward Banks; News of a week, A. J. Millicap; declamation, Archie E. Shapell; quartette, Mrs. John T. Lawson, Annie Brown, John T. Lawson and George James; critic, John H. Banks.

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Says He is a Fake. The Mt. Carmel Star devoted over a half column in exposing a man by the name of Carlisle, who claims to be a relative of ex-Secretary John G. Carlisle, and who has been about Shenandoah during most of the last year or two. The Star says he has been operating fake insurance on sewing machines, charging the owners \$1 each for a policy of five years, insuring against accident, etc.

Fire at Mahanoy Plane. At about 4:30 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the house of Joseph Mikranitz, at Mahanoy Plane. The flames spread to an adjoining house, but neither house was destroyed and the total damage did not exceed \$400. A store in the kitchen of Mikranitz's house started the fire. The buildings are owned by the Shaefer estate.

Applications for Transfer. The following applications have been filed for the transfer of liquor licenses in Shenandoah: Mike Baidis for the license of George Nanjuns, Fifth ward; Michael Peters for the license of John Maklay, Second ward; Michael Kuskiowich for the license of Patrick Graham, First ward.

Obituary. Patrick McAlain died at his home on West Cherry street, late Thursday night. Deceased was one of the pioneer residents of town. His death was caused by old age. An aged wife and six children, all of mature age, survive.

Runaway. A horse belonging to Frank Stainey, of West Coal street, ran away this morning and broke the shafts of the butcher wagon it was hitched to.

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WILLS IS TO ANSWER

Held For Trial at the Next Term of Court.

THE IDENTIFICATION POSITIVE!

Rev. Abromattis Appears Before Justice Shoemaker and Swears That Will is One of the Burglars Who Threatened His Life.

The burglary at St. George's Lithuanian church and parsonage last Sunday morning is apparently pretty well cleared up and the indications are that within a few days the two burglars who figured in the case will be prisoners. Both men are known, but one has kept himself under cover better than the other and escaped arrest for the present. He has one of two goals into which he must lead—either surrender and serve time for the job, or leave this part of the country and no longer worry its occupants by his presence.

Michael Wills, the man who was identified as one of the burglars at the parsonage yesterday by Rev. Peter Abromattis, was given a hearing before Justice Shoemaker early last evening. Rev. Abromattis was present and the witness stand and unambiguously identified Wills. He said Wills was the man who threatened to fill his head with bullets if a cry of alarm was made, was the one who asked for the money and watch and searched for them, and the man who wanted to blow open the safe. In brief, the chief actor in the affair is in custody and bound to be convicted regardless of the escape of the other burglar. The missing man is not so much sought as Wills would have been had the other been first captured. After the clergyman had given his history Wills was asked what he had to say and he replied that he could say nothing except that he was not guilty. Later he said that he had slept in the winter shanty on Glover's Hill for a month before the fall policeman Ballin and Burgess Taylor visited the place and arrested him, and that he was asleep in the shanty at the time the burglaries are alleged to have taken place. He said the shanty is used as a club room by young men of Brownsville and Glover's Hill. From the statements Wills has made about the shanty where the arrest was made it appears that the place is a haunt for crooks and the Girard Estate, or other owners of the property on which it is located, will probably be asked by the authorities to either demolish it, or put it to better use. Wills said he was raised in this town, but left it about fifteen years ago. He claims that he was working in the soft coal region and returned here because work was scarce in the other region. The man refused to disclose the names of his friends or relatives in town, and the office of Justice Shoemaker to send a message to them. Chief Burgess Taylor took Wills to the Pottsville jail last evening, the prisoner having been committed without bail. When they alighted at the Pennsylvania station at Pottsville, Detective McDonough, of Dougherty, the Irish comedian and vocalist, lively body invited. 3-1-1v

IN SENATE AND HOUSE. Senate Passes Alaska Homestead and Railway Right of Way Bill. Washington, March 5.—After debate lasting several days the Senate yesterday afternoon passed the bill extending the homestead laws and privileges for right of way for railroads in the district of Alaska. Comparatively little discussion of general interest was created by the bill. Section 12, providing for certain bonding concessions to Canada in lieu of privileges to be extended by the Dominion government to this country, however, induced a pretty lively debate, as it brought into the controversy the old fisheries question on the New England coast, which has been pending between the United States and Great Britain for a hundred years. The statement was made on the floor of the senate that there was every reason to believe that by the passage of the bill the fisheries question could be settled without great effort, as assurances to that effect had been reached from a large and influential element in Canada.

Two more appropriation bills were sent to the president yesterday, the pension bill and the consular and diplomatic, both of which went through their final stage in the house. It was private bill day. The most important action taken was acquiescence in an agreement to make the bill appropriating about \$1,200,000 for war claims approved by the court of claims under the provisions of the Bowman act a special order for next Friday. The claims carried by the bill, 730 in number, are for war and supplies seized during the war in the southern states.

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Pensioners Granted. Frank Bettermann, of Sheppton, has been granted a pension of \$8 monthly. He is an aged man and has been in poor circumstances for years. Edward A. Kennedy, Girardville, \$6 a month; William Breslin, Frackville, \$6.

Alex. Butlers Future. It is said that Alex. Butler, for many years passenger conductor on the Lehigh Valley railroad, and who was effected by the recent reformation, will conduct a genteel furnishing goods store at Tamaqua.

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LODGE ANNIVERSARY.

An Enjoyable Evening Spent by Iovites and Friends.

The members of Iovites Yr Ewig Lodge of Iovites last night celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization in the lodge room in Mott's hall by holding an entertainment. The program was a very pleasing one and started with the singing of the lodge's opening ode, followed by prayer offered by Rev. D. L. Evans, pastor of the First Baptist church. Mr. George Pilling, the chairman, then made a formal opening address, after which a selection was rendered by a vocal quartette. Rev. D. L. Evans then made an address on Iovites, during which he spoke in glowing praise of Iovites the Generous. After a song by Charles Rowland the secretary of the lodge, John M. Hughes, of Wm. Penn, made a brief address on the condition of the organization. Mr. Hughes stated that no annual celebration had been held during the last five years, but though quiet and almost unknown, the lodge had been an important factor in Shenandoah during periods in alleviating the needs of its members and their immediate friends and relatives in the dark hours of affliction. During the five years the lodge expended \$2,248.50 in sick benefits, an average of \$449.70 per year; and \$1,300 in death payments, an average of \$260 per year. This is a very good showing for an organization with an average membership of 75, and notwithstanding the drainage on the treasury there is still a balance on hand of \$1,500. The officers of the lodge are: J. J. Phillips, president; James W. Davis, vice president; J. M. Hughes, secretary; Henry L. Jones, treasurer; James W. Davis, P. C. Featon and George Pilling, trustees. The balance of the program was as follows: quartette, Waters and party; recitation, Miss Rachel Thomas; vocal solo, Miss Mary Jones; recitation, Miss Jennie Pilling; vocal solo, Master Joseph Jones; recitation, Bryan Pilling; comic song, Harry Reese; vocal solo, Miss Edith Morgan; comic recitation, Miss Lizzie Heebner; duet, J. J. Price and Miss Helen Price; vocal solo, W. H. Waters. After the singing of the lodge's closing ode sandwiches, coffee and ice cream were served and a most enjoyable evening was brought to close in social intercourse.

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A Masked Surprise. A masked surprise party was tendered Michael Fairley, at his home on East Centre street, last evening. There was a cake walk in which Mrs. Robert Fishburn and Adam Campbell won the prize. Among those who participated in the other festivities of the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clifford, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smith, Mr. and Mrs. James Hood, Mrs. Willis, Mrs. Robert Fishburn, Mrs. Lord, Mrs. Charles Zimmerman, Mrs. Leckie, Misses Mattie and Emma Davis, Ida Thomas, Robina Clifford, Annie and Jessie Leckie, and Jesse, Patrick, John Graham, Sr., John Graham, Jr., Adam Leckie, Adam Campbell.

A Hit for Coughs and Colds. What? Pan-Tins, 25c. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

Library Notice. The Free Public Library will be opened to the public for the taking out of books on Saturday, March 5, 1898, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 9 p. m. The new catalogues may be purchased during these hours, the price of which will be ten cents per copy. After Saturday the library hours will be as follows: Tuesdays, from 2 to 4 p. m., for the accommodation of those who cannot take advantage of the hours on Thursdays and Saturdays. Thursdays, from 4:15 to 5:30 p. m., principally for the accommodation of pupils of the public schools. Fridays, from 9 to 11 a. m., for adults. FRANK HANNA, Librarian. 3-3-3t

Examining Saving Funds. State Bank Examiner F. K. Smith is in the county on official business, and will investigate the workings of the various saving fund associations. He has already examined the books of the Broad Mountain Association, of Frackville, and found the affairs in excellent order. He will probably visit Shenandoah.

Kendrick House Free Lunch. Clam soup will be served, free, to all patrons to-night.

Advertised Letters. Letters addressed to the following named people remain uncollected for at the local post office: Annie Christ, John Chapple and H. Lewis.

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POINTS OF THE DEFENSE

In the Trial for the Shooting of Strikers at Lattimore.

WHY THEY DEMAND ACQUITTAL!

The Evidence Shows That the Prisoners Were Lawfully Aiding the Sheriff, and It Has Not Been Shown That Coslak Was Killed After the Necessity for Firing Ceased.

Wilkes-Barre, March 5.—The defense in the case of Sheriff Martin and his deputies closed finally yesterday afternoon recalling some of the commonwealth's witnesses to ascertain whether, at the preliminary hearing last September, they testified that at the meeting of the strikers at Harwood on the night before the shooting they all agreed not to carry clubs or weapons of any kind. Andrew Silver, No. 1, did not think he said anything about this feature. Andrew Sivars, No. 2, said he had sworn that they agreed not to carry clubs. John Laughman did not remember anything he said last September and neither did Frank Kups. Aris Parson, No. 3, the last witness, was asked if either of the Coal and Iron Police Hampton was at Lattimore at the time of the shooting. He said he was not. This was for the purpose of contradicting some of the commonwealth's witnesses. The commonwealth then introduced evidence in rebuttal. T. P. Ryder, I. H. Strause and C. E. Keek, who met the sheriff a few minutes after he reached this city from the scene of the shooting, said they saw no mark, discoloration or bruise on the sheriff's face. Joseph Coslak was recalled for the purpose of showing additional facts in regard to threats of violence made by Deputy A. E. Hosa against Coslak, who was helping a wounded attorney. Counsel for the defense objected to this evidence, but the objection was overruled by Judge Woodward.

"I was helping a wounded striker," said the witness, "when Hess came up. I said, 'It's a d—- shame to treat those poor fellows this way.' 'Shut up,' cried Hess, 'or I'll treat you the same way,' and he leveled his gun at me." "Did you write me a letter during this trial?" asked Judge Woodward. "No, sir," replied the witness. The commonwealth closed its case at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, after hearing a few witnesses in rebuttal of the important points, for most of the testimony they hoped to thus get before the jury was ruled out by the court.

The defense submitted the following points for the consideration of the court in his charge to the jury: "The sheriff is the chief conservator of the public peace within his bailiwick, and is bound, ex-officio, to the performance of this duty. For this purpose he may command the power of the county, and every male over the age of 15 years is bound to obey this call under pain of fine and imprisonment. "If it is made to appear to him that tumult or riot is threatened he may make the call. In the determination of this fact he exercises a judicial power, and his judgment cannot be examined into and reviewed in ulterior proceedings against him. In the light of subsequent events.

"Evidence that each one, or particular ones, acted illegally or maliciously is not proof of a conspiracy. "There is no evidence in this case which would warrant a finding that the defendants were an unlawful assembly. "The question of whether it was necessary to resort to the extreme means of firing on the strikers in order to disperse them was one of judgment, which cannot be questioned, even though it shall appear that the firing was not necessary, if the judgment was honestly formed and executed. "If any deputy wilfully, knowingly and maliciously continued firing after the necessity for firing had ceased, and did so by such firing kill Mike Coslak, he may be found guilty under the indictment, but to convict any one the jury must be satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt that he did it wilfully and maliciously, intending to kill, that Mike Coslak was killed by such person. "As the testimony does not disclose the identity of any person who fired in the manner described, a conviction of any of the prisoners would not be warranted. "Before any one of the prisoners can be convicted, the jury must be satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt that some one of them had special malice toward the deceased, or general malice toward the whole body of strikers, and intended unlawfully to kill some one of them, without caring which one. "It appears from the evidence, substantially without dispute, that the prisoners were lawfully aiding the sheriff as a posse, duly appointed, at the time Mike Coslak was killed, and that their purpose was to disperse an unlawful assembly, of which the deceased was one; that there was no conspiracy among them to do an unlawful act or to do a lawful act in an unlawful way. Therefore, the act of one cannot be imputed to the others. Each one is to be held accountable only for what he himself did. The evidence failing to identify the person who shot Mike Coslak, there can be no conviction under the indictment."

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